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SUMMARY: FEB 21 "EXPRESSO" CARRIED BIOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF DR. SA CARNEIRO ENTITLED "THE TWO PHASES OF A POLITICAL PERSONALITY." WE SUMMARIZE ARTICLE BELOW FOR POSSIBLE USE IN CONNECTION WITH SA CARNEIRO'S UPCOMING VISIT TO U.S. EXCERPTS FOLLOW:
END SUMMARY.

1. "PASQUAL OR LUCRETIUS? FROM THE NEAR HERMIT OF PORT ROYAL TO THE MATERIALISM OF LUCRETIUS, WHAT WORLDS RUN THROUGH THE HEAD AND THE HEART OF SA CARNEIRO?"

2. "FOR THE MAN WHO WAS THE 'BETE NOIRE' OF THE FLAMING CONSERVATIVES OF THE FASCIST NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, THE ALLEGED FAVORITE OF PALMA CARLOS IN THE FIRST PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT, AND THE SUPPOSED MAN BEHIND THE SCENES OF THE ATTEMPTED CONSTITUTIONAL COUP WHICH FINISHED PALMA CARLOS, IS THE SENSE OF MISSION WHICH HE HAS OFTEN ATTRIBUTED TO HIMSELF MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE EXERCISE OF PERSONAL POWER?..."

3. "THERE ARE MANY WHO SEE IN SA CARNEIRO A DANGEROUS EVOLUTION WHICH HAS CHANGED THE MOST LEFTIST MAN OF THE 1969 ASSEMBLY INTO THE MOST RIGHTIST LEADER OF PORTUGAL IN 1976. THE TRAJECTORY HAD MANY UPS AND DOWNS ...

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DRAMATIC IMPOTENCE IN THE CAETANO ASSEMBLY, HIS RESIGNATION

GREETED WITH RELIEF BY CAETANO SUPPORTERS, HIS WITHDRAWAL FROM POLITICS UNTIL APRIL 1974, HIS PARTICIPATION IN FIRST PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT AS VICE PRIME MINISTER, HIS ECLIPSE DUE TO ILLNESS FROM FEBRUARY 1975 UNTIL THAT SUMMER, AND THE VIOLENT ATTACKS HE RECEIVED AT THE LAST PPD CONGRESS IN DECEMBER 1975

WILL SA CARNEIRO CONTINUE TO SERVE DEMOCRACY IN THE SAME MANNER, OR WILL HE BECOME A DICTATOR IF CONDITIONS PERMIT?"

4. "BORN IN OPORTO IN JULY 1934 TO A FAMILY WHERE POLITICS WAS NOT DISCUSSED DESPITE HIS FATHER'S POSITION AS DEPUTY, SA CARNEIRO WAS ALWAYS A REPUBLICAN AND A LIBERAL. ... UNTIL AGE ELEVEN, HE WAS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PRIEST ... A DEVIATION IN THE SPINAL COLUMN LATER EXEMPTED HIM FROM MILITARY SERVICE. HE MAINTAINED CLOSE AND FREQUENT RELATIONS WITH DOMINICAN PRIESTS THROUGHOUT HIS ADOLESCENCE AND ADULTHOOD. ... HE LATER PARTICIPATED ACTIVELY IN COURSES ON CHRISTIANITY AND AMONG GROUPS OF CHRISTIAN COUPLES." ...

5. "CRITICIZED FOR OPPORTUNISM BY THE LEFT FOR ACCEPTING A SEAT IN CAETANO LEGISLATURE,... HE BECAME AMONG THE MOST ACTIVE CRITICS OF THE REGIME FROM WITHIN WITH 85 SPEECHES, EIGHT PROPOSED LAWS, AND VIOLENT DENUNCIATIONS OF THE POLICE AND TOTALITARIAN ASPECTS OF THE GOVERNMENT. HE CAME TO BE ADMIRERD EVEN BY UNMISTAKABLE OPPONENTS OF THE REGIME." ... "SA CARNEIRO BECAME KNOWN AS LEADER OF THE ASSEMBLY'S LIBERAL WING, AND FOR HIS STRONG PERSONALITY, DIRECT AND VIGOROUS IN HIS ACCUSATIONS. ... ALL HIS SPEECHES WERE INTERRUPTED BY ABUSE, BUT SA CARNEIRO ALWAYS MAINTAINED THE SAME CALM AND COLD LOGIC." ...

6. "AT FIRST TOLERATED BY THE REGIME, SA CARNEIRO ENDED UP BEING VIOLENTLY OPPOSED BY MARCELO CAETANO HIMSELF AFTER SA CARNEIRO CLASSIFIED HIMSELF AS A SOCIAL DEMOCRAT ALONG NORTHERN EUROPEAN LINES IN A 1972 INTERVIEW." SA CARNEIRO SAW HIS PROJECTED LAW ON "AMNESTY FOR POLITICAL CRIMES" REJECTED AS EXTREMELY PREJUDICIAL. ... HE RESIGNED FROM THE ASSEMBLY JANUARY 25, 1973 DUE TO THE "ABSENCE OF EVEN THE MINIMUM CONDITIONS FOR FREE AND USEFUL POLITICAL ACTION."

7. "HARDLY RECOVERED FROM HIS SERIOUS AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT AND UNCLASSIFIED

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BLOCKED BY CENSORS IN HIS EFFORTS TO WRITE FOR "EXPRESSO," SA CARNEIRO RETURNED TO POLITICS ENTHUSIASTICALLY AFTER THE APRIL 1974 REVOLUTION."

8. "SA CARNEIRO HELD A VERY PESSIMISTIC VIEW OF THE REVOLUTION AFTER THE FIRST SEVERAL WEEKS. ... IN JUNE-JULY 1974, HE PRESENTED A VERY VIGOROUS AND SEVERE ANALYSIS OF THE SITUATION TO THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT. BETWEEN SPINOLA AND PALMA CARLOS, IT

APPEARS CERTAIN THAT SA CARNEIRO FAVORED THE PROPOSALS OF PALMA CARLOS. HOWEVER, SA CARNEIRO DID NOT BELIEVE THE FIRST GOVERNMENT WOULD FALL SO QUICKLY, SINCE HE HAD INSTALLED HIMSELF IN THE OFFICIAL RESIDENCE AS VICE PM ONLY THREE DAYS BEFORE PALMA CARLOS RESIGNED. ..." "VIOLENTLY ATTACKED BY THE LEFT (FOR HIS ROLE IN THE PALMA CARLOS AFFAIR) ... SA CARNEIRO WILL NEVER FREE HIMSELF OF A CERTAIN RIGHTIST AND AUTHORITARIAN IMAGE."

9. "... SA CARNEIRO'S HEALTH DECLINED IN LATE 1974, HE WAS OPERATED ON IN FEBRUARY 1975; AND REPLACED TEMPORARILY BY EMIDIO GUERREIRO IN MAY 1975." FROM LONDON, SA CARNEIRO OBSERVED WITH AN INCREASINGLY CRITICAL EYE THE POLITICAL EVOLUTION AND THE CONDUCT OF HIS OWN PARTY."
"ALMOST RECOVERED, HE GAVE AN EXPLOSIVE INTERVIEW IN AUGUST 1975 WHICH VIOLENTLY CRITICIZED THE AFM, NATIONALIZATIONS AND PPD ACTIONS."
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10. "... THE FIRST ADVOCATE OF A RETURN TO THE BARRACKS, SA CARNEIRO RETURNED IN SEPTEMBER TO MAKE A POLEMICAL DIAGNOSIS OF THE SITUATION. ... FOR HIM IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE PCP ACTS AS AN INSTRUMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION IN ORDER TO ASSURE FOR MOSCOW CONTROL OF ANGOLA, THE "PLATFORM IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC" WHICH IS PORTUGAL, AS "FIRST STEP TOWARD DOMINATION OF THE MEDITERRANEAN IN A STRATEGY OF GENERALIZED REVOLUTIONARY ADVANCE, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE CRISIS OF THE WEST."
... AGAINST THE PRESENCE OF COMMUNISTS IN THE GOVERNMENT, AGAINST THE HEGEMONY OF THE AFM, ... SA CARNEIRO APPEARS CONTINUALLY TOUGHER IN NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAYS AS MUCH AGAINST COSTA GOMES AS ANY POLITICIAN CAN SAY "WHOSE HOPES WERE DELUDED."

11. "IN ALL HIS SPEECHES, THE SECRETARY GENERAL REVEALS GREAT FIRMNESS AND AGGRESSIVENESS SIMILAR TO WHAT HE DEMONSTRATED IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. HE APPEARS TO BE MORE COMFORTABLE IN THE UNCLASSIFIED

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OPPOSITION THAN IN THE GOVERNMENT. AS A RESULT OF AN IMPORTANT SPLIT IN HIS PARTY, SA CARNEIRO WAS VIOLENTLY ATTACKED FOR "AUTHORITARIANISM," "AN ANTIDEMOCRATIC SPIRIT," AND "PRIMITIVE ANTI-COMMUNISM" ...

12. "ONE ACQUAINTANCE SAID OF HIM "HE IS THE ONLY PARTY POLITICIAN WITH A PERSONAL AMBITION FOR POWER: HE PLACES AMBITION ABOVE THE INTERESTS OF PARTY IDEOLOGY." SA CARNEIRO DENIES THAT, ALTHOUGH HE MIGHT ADMIT THAT THE TEMPTATION OF POWER IS GREAT. SEVERAL TIMES LABELLED THE "CUNHAL OF THE RIGHT" (AN EPITHET WHICH PLEASES NEITHER CUNHAL NOR SA CARNEIRO), WHAT DOES SA CARNEIRO REALLY THINK AND FEEL? LUCRETIVUS OR PASQUAL? ROBESPIERRE OR MACHIAVELLY?"
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